

## FISCAL FACTS CAMPAIGN ENDORSED BY ANACOSTIA

Citizens' Association Approves Actions of D. C. Commissioners and Federation.

Numerous Improvements of Suburb Planned—Community Flower Beds a Feature.

A discussion of the fiscal relations between the federal government and the district of Columbia occupied a large portion of the time of the regular meeting of the Anacostia Citizens' Association last night. Charles R. Barry, in presenting the question, referred to the various methods that have been suggested for the recently appointed joint congressional committee to follow in performing its duties of investigation. He made particular reference to the attempt to make a study of the various methods that have been suggested for the recently appointed joint congressional committee to follow in performing its duties of investigation. He made particular reference to the attempt to make a study of the various methods that have been suggested for the recently appointed joint congressional committee to follow in performing its duties of investigation.

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The association will again undertake to establish its community flower beds on the property at the corner of Nichols avenue and F street, as in the last two seasons. A letter was read from the superintendent of the office of public buildings and grounds, indicating that flowers left over from the previous year would be given the association for use in these beds. This undertaking has been the cause of favorable comment from every one, and

an effort will be made to make the beds even more conspicuous this year. Many minor improvements are being planned by the organization, including the planting of trees on the south side of W street between 15th and 16th streets; reconstruction and improvement of the small triangle at Minnesota avenue, T and 14th streets; filling in of the deep ravine in the rear of premises on Good Hope road between Minnesota avenue and T street, and improvement of the sidewalk on the south side of U street between 14th and 15th streets.

### To Abolish Dumps.

An effort is to be made to abolish the dumping grounds on either side of the approach to the bridge, because of the continual nuisance caused by the piles of refuse blowing over the streets. It is believed that little difficulty will be experienced in accomplishing this.

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## POPE EXPRESSES LOVE FOR PEOPLE OF THE U. S.

Declares Them "Second to None in Efficiency of Action and Thought."

In a message expressing love and admiration for the American people, "second to none in efficiency of action and thought," Pope Benedict XV has sent his apostolic benediction to all those associated with the Catholic University of America, particularly mentioning the Knights of Columbus for their recent action in establishing scholarships at the Brookland institution.

This letter was read today at the solemn pontifical mass of thanksgiving in St. Patrick's Church by Cardinal Gibbons. "The one beloved sons, James Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, John Cardinal Farley, Archbishop of New York, William Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, and to our other venerable brethren, the archbishops and bishops of the United States of America, Benedict XV, Pope."

"We have recently learned that preparations were being made at Washington for the observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Catholic University. We have been deeply moved by your presence and by that of distinguished members of the faculty, who are in keeping with the singularly happy character of the occasion."

### Shares in the Joy.

"That you, beloved sons and venerable brethren, should share all the joy of the prosperity of the university is obvious to every one who realizes that the beginnings and the gratifying progress of this seat of learning are owing, especially to your wise and timely care. And yet this joy of yours is not so peculiar to you but that we also may in some way share it. For we love, may we deeply cherish the American people, forsooth as they are with the vigor of youth and second to none in efficiency of action and thought; and as we earnestly desire that an ever-widening path to the highest level of human achievement may be opened before them, so we cannot but feel the deepest pleasure at everything that furthers their progress."

### Worthy of Commendation.

"Still, in your tireless endeavors you aimed not merely at enriching the mind with learning; what you chiefly sought was to imbue it with that heavenly wisdom whose light cannot be put out, and with which all good things shall come to your people. These proofs, indeed, of your pastoral solicitude and appeal to every fair-minded observer as worthy of the highest commendation and deserving of the approval and support of your fellow-citizens, especially of your Catholic people, and in particular of your clergy."

## LARGEST OF AQUEDUCTS IS COMPLETED IN ITALY

Water Piped 1,875 Miles to Serve Three Provinces for Centuries Lacking in Supply.

BARI, Italy, April 14, 2:10 a.m., via Paris, April 15, 1:15 a.m.—Water from the Apennines was distributed yesterday for the first time to the provinces of Bari, Foggia and Lecce, through the Apulia aqueduct, the largest in the world, which was begun in 1905. More than 2,000,000 persons now are assured of a supply of fresh water from mountain streams, brought through 1,875 miles of pipe. The territory served has suffered for centuries from lack of an adequate supply.

For the construction of the aqueduct, the cost of which is estimated at \$20,000,000, 1,000 workmen have been engaged nearly ten years. The course of the Sicilian river has been diverted. A collecting basin has been built at its source, 1,576 feet above the level of the sea, whence the waters are conveyed by tunnel for seven and one-half miles, penetrating a water shed, and then through the aqueduct, which is 125 miles long. While the most important parts of the aqueduct have been completed, it will take a year longer to finish all the minor details.

### Training and Culture.

In addition to other advantages which are the case to be expected, the clergy of the church in America will receive one and the same culture and training; and thus we speak to those who have, by experience, means, without doubt, a clergy whose duty will be to lead the people to the more active and more harmonious cooperation for a common purpose.

### Library of Congress Gets Old Royal Letters

Mrs. John Boyd Thatcher Deposits Collection, Which Is Placed on Exhibition. Letters some of which are more than 200 years old have been deposited with the Library of Congress and placed on exhibition there by the widow of John Boyd Thatcher of Albany. The collection includes autograph documents or letters from crowned heads of Europe and other foreign countries. The English group starts with an official document signed by Henry V. King of England, in 1483. There is a letter of Richard, Duke of Gloucester, afterward Richard III, 1486; a document from Henry VIII, and letters from three of his wives, Catherine of Aragon, Jane Seymour and Katherine Parr. Mary Queen of Scots, once Elizabeth's Charles I., Cromwell, Charles II, Anne and George III are represented in documents signed by them. The oldest royal signature is that of Charles V. King of France, 1374. The Napoleon papers are particularly interesting—two are signed by Napoleon Bonaparte, and among the others are letters from his father, Carlo Bonaparte; his mother, Letitia Bonaparte; Josephine and Marie Louise, Napoleon III, "L'Aigle" and Napoleon III. Frederick the Great of Prussia, 1787; William IV, Prince of Orange, 1757; William IV, 1795; Hortense, Queen of Holland, 1811; Pope Paul VI, 1554; Peter the Great, 1715; and Catherine of Russia, 1791, are signers of some of the other documents exhibited.

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